

REMARKS

New claims 79-82 have been entered in correct form to specifically set forth the subject matter of the claimed invention. Claims 1-46 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, claims 47, 48 and 79-82 are pending in the application. Claims 79-82 depend from at least one of allowable independent claims 47 and 48. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit these claims are also allowable and notice to such effect is earnestly solicited.

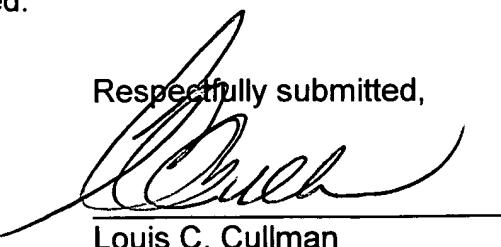
During review of the claims in preparation of this Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicant discovered that in a Preliminary Amendment to the parent of this application, Serial No. 09/876,572, claims 49-97 were canceled. The application 09/876,572 as filed only had 78 claims. Therefore Applicant hereby confirms that claims 49-78 were previously canceled and new claims are entered starting at number 79. The table below summarizes the claim status.

Claim	Status
Claims 1-46	Rejected in parent application 09/876,572 Canceled in preliminary amendment dated 08/26/2003 to current application
Claims 47, 48	Pending
Claims 49-78	Canceled in a preliminary amendment dated 06/07/2001 to parent application 09/876,572. The preliminary amendment dated 06/07/2001 actually stated that claims 49-97 were cancelled which is incorrect. Claims 79-97 did not exist in that application
Claims 79-82	Pending

The Examiner is invited to direct any questions regarding this submission or to further this prosecution to the undersigned.

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